MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) There is a foot path.

(*b*) Half a mile.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) There is a small bridge and this is passable for foot passengers.

(*e*) No, beyond what can be done from the small maintenance grant of Rs. 15.

Auction sale in the Forest Department.

178. ***MR. K. T. THOMAS** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of auctions conducted by the sale officer in the Forest Department, with the amount and average rates realised at such sales?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Secretary to Government*):

Number of sales conducted 37.

Amount of sale. Bh. Rs. 1,21,662-15-2.

Average rate. The labour involved in preparing a statement furnishing the information is out of all proportion to its possible utility.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I know from the honourable member how the average compares with the amounts realised by the respective Division Forest Offices?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP: No average has been struck, but the sale prices are generally higher.

The Pulianthuruthu Kuthakappattam Tenure.

179. ***MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received representations from the people of Puthenvelikkara pakuthi in Parur taluk regarding certain tenure of land called *Pulianthuruthu Kuthakappattam*; and

(*b*) whether they have taken any steps to redress the grievance of the holders of these *Kuthakappattam* lands?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under enquiry.

Agricultural Farm in Alleppey.

180. ***MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP**: With regard to the Agricultural Farm in, Alleppey, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when it was first established;

(*b*) the total expenditure hitherto incurred

(*c*) the average annual income from, and the expenditure for the same; and

(*d*) the object with which the Farm was originally established?

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MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : (*a*) In 1088.

(*b*) Rs. 15,754.

(*c*) The average annual income is Rs. 196 and expenditure Rs. 630.

(*d*) To conduct experiments on the possibility of growing cocoanuts on loose sandy soils and to arrive at definite conclusions regarding the manurial and cultural treatments required for such soils.

Grant-in-aid Ayurvedic Vaidyasalas in Ambalapuzha taluk.

181. * MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of grant-in-aid *Vaidyasalas* in Nedumudy, Champakulam, Thakazhy, Kainakary, Pulinkunnoo and Kozhimukku in Ambalapuzha taluk ;

(*b*) whether they have received any memorial or other representations from the public of those places for the establishment of such *Vaidyasalas* in those *Pakuthies* ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part(*b*) is in the affirmative, when were they received and what action has been taken ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Nil.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) In January 1937. State recognition was awarded to the *Vaidyasala* at Nedumudy conducted by Mr. M. Krishnankunju Panickar.

Routes to the Sabarimala Temple.

182. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware that the routes leading to the Sabarimala Temple are interspersed with wild and impenetrable forest tracts infested with wild animals ;

(*b*) whether cases of accidental deaths from wild animals and otherwise due to illness etc., have been reported ; and

(*c*) if so, the number of such deaths reported for the last three years ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI :

(*a*) The routes pass through Reserve Forests.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) In view of answer to (*b*) this does not arise.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI : May I know, Sir, from the Government whether there was any report regarding an accidental death at Azhutha during the last festival ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR N. KUNJAN PILLAI : Government have not received any report.

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